

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
JANUARY 10, 2012**

The Public Works Committee met on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 in the Committee Room, located on the second floor of the Administration Building beginning at 2:45 p.m. Mr. Cullum, Committee Chairman, presided.

Members Attending:

M. Todd Cullum, Chairman	Bobby C. Keisler, V Chairman
K. Brad Matthews	William B. Banning, Sr.
James E. Kinard, Jr.	

Also attending: Joe Mergo, III, Interim County Administrator; Larry Porth, Finance Director/Assistant County Administrator; Jeff Anderson, County Attorney; other staff members, citizens of the county and representatives of the media.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, a copy of the agenda was sent to radio and TV stations, newspapers, and posted on the bulletin board located in the lobby of the County Administration Building.

**800 Mhz Radio Talk Group Sharing - SCDOT - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director of Public Works/Assistant County Administrator** - Mr. Fechtel presented information regarding Public Works and the South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) sharing a radio talk group utilizing the Palmetto 800 System. He said during winter storms the County has loaned radios to SCDOT in order to communicate between the two entities. There is no cost associated with the talk group only technical staff assistance for the actual programming. Staff recommends the talk group with SCDOT to enhance Public Works communications for both severe weather events and day-to-day operations.

A motion was made by Mr. Banning, seconded by Mr. Keisler to recommend full Council approve staff's recommendations for the Talk Group Sharing with SCDOT.

**Reserve at Lake Murray - Public Works - John Fechtel, Director of Public Works/Assistant County Administrator** - Mr. Fechtel presented a request for C-Funds to complete the paving of the Lake Murray Reserve subdivision. The bond for the subdivision was pulled by the County's Stormwater Department due to the developer going bankrupt. Staff outlined two cost options: (1) Using Outside Contractors at an estimated cost of \$49,700 or (2) Using in-house staff and specialized contractors for an estimated cost of \$46,600. Staff recommended using in-house staff and appropriating \$19,100 from C-Funds Unclassified Account 2700-121300-539900 to complete the project. The Committee requested a list of pending projects where bonds have been pulled including active bonds for the next meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Matthews, seconded by Mr. Banning to recommend full Council approve staff's recommendation to use in-house staff and to appropriate \$19,100 from C-

Funds Unclassified Account to complete the Reserve at Lake Murray project.

**Old Business/New Business - Traffic Congestion, Alternate Material for Road Swells, Flooding Issues/Kinley Creek Criteria, Stormwater Land Development Manual Chapter 7, Stormwater Utility Fee Update, Pine Glen Alternate Exit, Chaney Road Closing, Nursery Road Project**

**Old Business - New Road/Corley Mill/Riverchase Monthly Update** - Mr. Fechtel reported that he has a meeting with the School District and SCDOT tomorrow, Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Cullum asked Mr. Fechtel to remind them Council has committed \$900,000 which has a time limit, and if needed in a written form, they can read the Committee minutes of this meeting or the full Council minutes. Mr. Fechtel said the meeting was a follow-up to the Council meeting the \$900,000 and provide information for the monthly updates as requested by the Committee.

**New Business - Columbia Avenue** - Mr. Matthews asked about a County project needing permits and approval. Mr. Fechtel responded this is the Columbia Avenue project. He said SCDOT wants the County to also provide the same for the Corley Mill/378 Project and reported that this is a SCDOT project not County. Mr. Fechtel said the Columbia Avenue Project was in progress.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy R. Busbee  
Assistant to the Clerk

M. Todd Cullum  
Chairman

Diana W. Burnett  
Clerk